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As a professional software developer, I find the governments proposed settlement with MS a joke. MS was clearly found to be a monopoly and anti competitive but the government has essentially taken no punitive action.

What is even more disquieting is MS continues its illegal activity on a daily basis. It's new products and development languages (.Net) are anti competitive to other database manufacturers. They are using the same tactics over and over.

Splitting MS into OS and application companies is the only solution.